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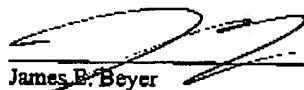
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Response to Restriction/Election Requirement

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action of October 4, 2005. Claims 61-120 are pending in the present application. Applicants note that the Office Action identifies incorrectly claims 1-60 as the pending claims. The examiner's attention is drawn to the **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT** entered into the electronic file on June 29, 2004. However, after careful review of the Office Action and the pending claims, it appears as though the restriction requirement should have been set forth as follows:

Group I - claims 61-118;

Group II - claim 119; and

Group III - claim 120.

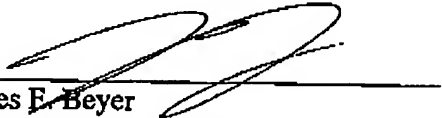
Accordingly, applicants hereby elect **CLAIMS 61-118 (Group I)** for substantive examination.

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Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for allowance. The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned to resolve efficiently any formal matters or to discuss any aspects of the application or of this response. Otherwise, early notification of allowable subject matter is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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